

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Serial Number: 09/754,826

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Title: MYOSTATIN IMMUNIZATION

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acceptable excipient.

Remarks

Claim 1 has been amended, and claim 4 is canceled. As a result, claims 1-3 and 5-8 are now pending in this application.

This Response supplements the Amendment filed on September 6, 2002 and is intended to address the Examiner's comments in the Office Communication dated November 12, 2002.

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney (612-373-6959) to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully submitted,

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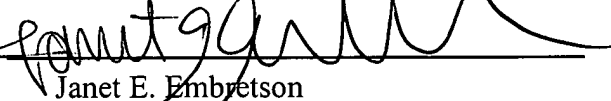
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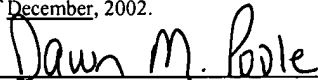


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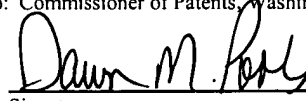
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Marked-up Version of Amended Claims

MYOSTATIN IMMUNIZATION
Applicant: Mohamed E. El Halawani et al.
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1. (Amended) A myostatin immunoconjugate comprising a [full length] mature form of vertebrate myostatin polypeptide linked to a carrier.
4. (Cancelled)